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Senior Airman Rebeca Luquin

## At 'em boys, give her the gun

**A B-52H taxis for takeoff at a forward deployed location during Operation Enduring Freedom Sunday as troops wave flags. U.S. forces began the military-front of the operation using Air Force and Navy resources.**

# Airmen describe experiences over Afghanistan

**SGT. 1ST CLASS KATHLEEN T. RHEM**

American Forces Press Service

**WASHINGTON** — “Like being a football player at the Super Bowl” is how one Air Force bombardier described being part of the initial wave of offensive strikes in America’s war on terrorism.

“I was honored to act in the service of my country for defending freedom for all people,” said “Vinnie,” the B-1 bomber offensive systems officer who participated in strikes on Afghanistan Sunday.

Following the missions, the Air Force arranged for reporters to speak to five Air Force officers who took part in the bombing. Security concerns dictated that the officers only be identified by their call signs and that their

location not be disclosed.

Vinnie described how troops at the base he took off from lined the tarmac, waving flags as the jets took off. “I think everybody, no matter what job they had, came out to support the launch of the jets,” he said. “It was very patriotic. We felt very proud.”

Pride in America and in a job well done was the overriding theme in the officers’ remarks. “The president counted on us to do a job, and the (American) people counted on us to do a job tonight,” said “Doc,” a radar officer aboard a B-52 bomber.

“Whether you’re from Manhattan or the Washington, D.C. area, it doesn’t really matter,” he said. “We’re all

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## Airmen train local law enforcement

**CATHERINE LAYTON**

325th Fighter Wing public affairs

Everyone has been to an event, whether it is a ball game or a town meeting, where the United States flag, state flags or even the flags of the organization are presented. The Bay County Sheriff’s Department wants to make sure that when they present the colors, they have all of their moves down pat. They turn to Senior Airman Adam Sparks, assistant NCO in charge of the Tyndall Air Force Base Honor Guard, to show proper respect to the flag, along with other ceremonial etiquette.

Investigator John Sumerall, Deputy Sheriff Myron Guilford, Deputy Sheriff Mike Jacobs and Sgt. Bill Sumner came to Tyndall Tuesday for a training session with the honor guard. The informal class spent the hour refining everything from their “about-face” technique to verbal commands called out in a ceremony. “Some of our guys are prior military and some of them aren’t. Each of the services has their own ways of doing certain

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Courtesy graphic

**Airmen began bombing terrorist targets over Afghanistan Sunday.**



# Several events planned for retirees, troops

**BRIG. GEN. WILLIAM F. HODGKINS**

325th Fighter Wing commander



As we continue to do our part in homeland defense and remain dedicated to our various missions, we need to take time out

for ourselves and get involved in some of the wing's planned events.

Unfortunately, we had to cancel Saturday's wing dining out due to current force-protection Charlie conditions. However, we will host several events people can get involved in.

We'll take time this weekend to recognize our military retiree community. Retirees are the life-blood of the Tyndall community, providing continued leadership, counsel and support to the men and women of Tyndall Air Force Base. It is only fitting that each year we take a moment to recognize their patriotism and sustained contributions to all things military. Today we will be able to give something back, say thanks and show our ap-



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preciation. During Retiree Appreciation Days, retirees will be able to take advantage of a wide range of special events and sales.

Some of today's activities include: half-price greens fees or cart fees at the Pelican Point Golf Course, two for one lunch entrées at the Beacon Beach Marina Club, 25 percent-off dinners for officers and enlisted club members and service station giveaways between 9-11 a.m.

Saturday's activities include special commissary case lot sales and special drawings from 8:30 a.m. – 5 p.m., legal

assistance, identification card processing as well as medical assistance activities including exams, lab work, vaccines and wellness programs (See Page 10 for details).

This week also marks National Fire Prevention week and the Tyndall Fire Department will host several events.

According to a National Fire Protection Association report, last year fires took the lives of more than 4,000 people. This was an increase of 13.3 percent from the previous year. In all, more than 3,400

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## Action Line

The Action Line is your direct line to me. It is one way to make Tyndall a better place to work and live.

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Questions or comments of general interest will be published in this forum. This avenue should only be used after coordinating problems or concerns with supervisors, commanders, first sergeants or facility managers. If you're not satisfied with the response or you are unable to resolve the problem, call me at 283-2255.

For fraud, waste and abuse calls, you should talk to the office of inspections, 283-4646. Calls concerning energy abuse should be referred to the energy hot line, 283-3995.

**BRIG. GEN. WILLIAM F. HODGKINS**  
325th Fighter Wing commander

# View from the top: AETC mission continues full speed ahead

Recent world events clearly define, reinforce the command's mission

**GEN. HAL HORNBERG**

Air Education and Training Command commander

**RANDOLPH AIR FORCE BASE, Texas (AETCNS)**

— The events that occurred the morning of Sept. 11 will be forever embedded in the hearts and minds of all Americans. They were powerful and emotional blows that awakened us to the fact that we — the United States — are not excluded from terror.

As you know, this devastation has placed the armed forces in a heightened state of alert in defense of our homeland. Additionally, the commander-in-chief has announced intentions to not only punish the perpetrators of these barbaric attacks but to eradicate terrorism altogether.

Now, the question is: What does this mean for Air Education and Training Command? The clear message for AETC is that our mission must continue on its course to

replenish our Air Force's combat capabilities. In doing so, the mission must be carried out steadily, precisely and professionally — all the while maintaining our increased security status. In other words, we must keep doing what we've been doing, but with a greater sense of awareness and readiness.

AETC has already been called upon to participate in Department of Defense efforts and you can bet we will be called upon again. We swore to defend our country and we will. But our day-to-day routines have to be adjusted to carry out this long and sustained effort. In doing this, never lose sight of the fact that safety is paramount.

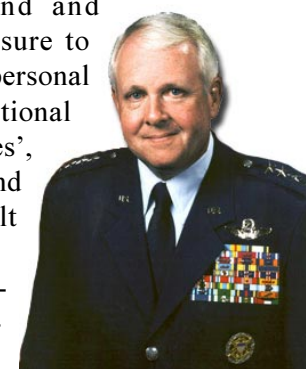
With all of us facing long lines at the gates, be sure to watch your driving habits. Don't get complacent sitting in line, waiting to enter the base and forget what is going on around you. Be sure to plan more time for travel, vary your routes and always maintain your situational awareness, both on and off base. Now would be a good time to pull out your personal protection guide and review its procedures. Be sure to talk with your family about how

they too should maintain situational awareness.

Commanders, supervisors, top three ... I encourage you to continue supporting your airmen by attending Airman Leadership School, NCO Academy, Squadron Officer School, technical and flying training graduations. Quality airmen — motivated and trained to be the best — are our products and, without them, we are irrelevant.

Airmen ... each and every one of you is vital to the success of our command and America's Air Force. Be sure to take time to maintain your personal spiritual, physical and emotional state, as well as your families', in order to stay motivated and alert during these difficult times.

Our Air Force and our nation depend on us. Stay focused. Stay motivated. Stay safe and stay ready.



**Gen. Hal Hornburg**

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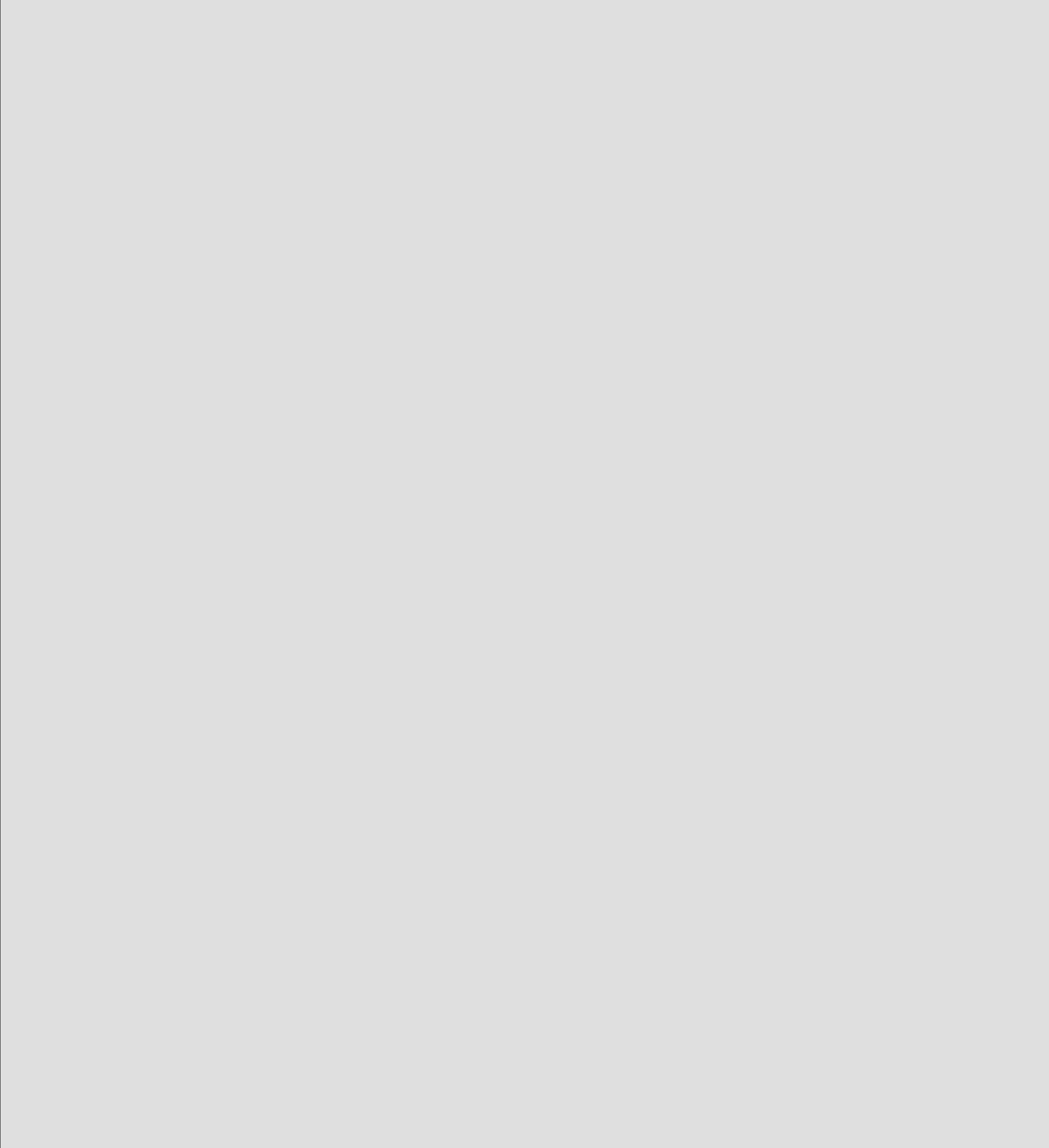
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# AFPC activates Stop-Loss Control Center

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AIR FORCE PERSONNEL CENTER

Officials at the Air Force Personnel Center have set up a central question and answer point about how stop-loss applies to the nearly 10,000 people previously approved to retire or separate from active duty between now and April 30.

Experts at the Stop-Loss Control Center are answering questions about retirements and separations for personnel flights, commanders and individuals who have specific stop-loss questions.

Stop Loss, which became effective Friday, gives military service secretaries authority to keep servicemembers on active duty who would normally be planning to retire or leave the service.

Just over 11,516 people have approved separation or retirement dates between today and April 30, officials said. There are 926 officers and 4,593 enlisted people with approved retirement dates who are now held by stop-loss action; and 1,256 officers and 4,741 enlisted who have approved separation dates through the end of April.

Those numbers may include some who are exempt from stop-loss as previously announced. "So far, the attitude of the callers is impressive —

we're not hearing from a lot of angry people," said Master Sgt. Mike Potter, superintendent of retirements. "People are concerned, but not angry."

"Our primary role is to assist and advise the MAJCOM personnel staffs and military personnel flights in the execution of the stop-loss program," said Lt. Col. Rich Binger, AFPC separations branch chief.

"But we are also here to help those affected by stop-loss. We will work hand-in-hand with the (military personnel flight) retirements and separations sections to help people get the answers they need," he said.

Local personnel flights will continue processing retirements and separations actions and are the first place to turn for those with stop-loss questions, said Colonel Binger.

Based on the numerous calls received thus far, the control center staff has put together a frequently asked questions Web page on the AFPC Web site at: [www.afpc.randolph.af.mil](http://www.afpc.randolph.af.mil).

Military personnel flights or commander's support staffs, as well as interested individuals, can reach the control center from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m.



daily at (210) 565-2374 or DSN 665-2374.

At first, people in every Air Force specialty code are prevented from leaving active duty in this stop-loss action, said Colonel Binger. During the first 30 days, major command, personnel officials and career-field managers are matching war-fighting needs with the possibility that some career-field stop-loss restrictions could be lifted.

"But, obviously, operational needs will be the first priority," the colonel said.

Waiver applications are also being accepted and will be evaluated individually by MAJCOM commanders, according to officials.

So far, stop-loss will not affect promotions, permanent change of station moves or training class schedules, officials said.

## In Brief

### TOSC luncheon

The Tyndall Officers' Spouses' Club's luncheon will be 10:30 a.m. Tuesday at the officers' club. The program will include an information session about antiques and a tribute to retired officers' wives. For more information, call Susan, 286-2890.

### Top 3 meeting

The Tyndall Top 3 monthly meeting will be 3 p.m. Oct. 19 at Heritage Park. For more information, call Master Sgt. Susan McBride, 283-2967.

### 'Tell-a-Friend' program

The American Cancer Society's 'Tell a Friend' breast-cancer education program will continue through Tuesday. Volunteers are needed to place phone calls to friends and family members encouraging them to get annual mammograms. The ACS provides information and caller kits to all participants. For more information on breast cancer, mammography and the 'Tell-a-Friend' program, call the Bay Area office of the American Cancer Society, 785-9205, call toll-free, (800) 227-2345, or visit online at: [www.cancer.org](http://www.cancer.org) and click on Florida.

### Service station hours

Due to the weekday traffic situation, the Tyndall Service Station will be temporarily opening at 6 a.m. For more information, call 286-5826.



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things and all are slightly different,” said Mr. Sumerall.

Mr. Sumerall acknowledged that the sheriff’s department wanted to have continuity whenever and wherever they were asked to work. “When our honor guard has to go to perform at a function, we have been sort of winging it in the past. We are now restructuring our honor guard, and we want to get it straight. Tyndall is the best place to come for that. We want to follow through

with training about once a month,” he said. The sheriff’s department isn’t coming into this training cold, though. According to Airman Sparks, they already had some of the moves. “They already had a good grasp on some procedures, and we are keeping with their way of doing certain things,” he said. “On some things, such as the presentation of colors, they have adopted the Air Force protocol.” The training answers questions for some of the participants as well. “This training

definitely sheds more light on these procedures,” Mr. Guilford said. “It gives us more structure, and we are all on the same page.” Airman Sparks enjoys the interaction with local law enforcement. “I think it is great when we can get involved in the community. That is part of the reason why we are here. I am looking forward to the monthly sessions with them.”



Catherine Layton

Senior Airman Adam Sparks, left, instructs Deputy Sheriff Mike Jacobs, Deputy Sheriff Myron Guilford, Sgt. Bill Sumner and Investigator John Sumerall, all members of the Bay County Sheriff’s Department, on the proper ways to present the colors and other tips on flag etiquette.

# AETC posts recruiter assignment info on Web

## Recruiting duty offers incentives, chances for airmen to excel

**RANDOLPH AIR FORCE BASE, Texas (AETCNS)** – Personnel officials here recently announced the latest information about recruiter assignments has been posted on the Air Education and Training Command Web site.

People interested in volunteering for recruiter duty should visit the Web site at: [www.aetc.randolph.af.mil/dp/recruiter/index.htm](http://www.aetc.randolph.af.mil/dp/recruiter/index.htm) to check out assignment locations, complete an online application and download other required documents.

The site is back in operation after three weeks of down time caused by Web problems, officials said.

Known as Enlisted Accession Recruiter assignments, the 62 positions

available throughout the continental United States will be advertised through Oct. 21, said officials on the AETC Recruiter Assignments Team. Volunteers selected will report for

recruiter duty in March and April. For more information about recruiter duty, people can call DSN 487-4105 or e-mail questions to [recruiter.assignments@randolph.af.mil](mailto:recruiter.assignments@randolph.af.mil).



Courtesy photo

**Recruiter positions will be posted on the Web through Oct. 21.**

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of the fire-related deaths occurred at home. That's why it's so important to conduct fire prevention programs. As such, the Tyndall Fire Department will be busy educating the base and targeting school-age children in the local community during October and November. Data has shown a decline in fire-related deaths as a result of these education programs. For more information, contact Bobby Richardson at 283-2852.

Other Tyndall events include the Tyndall Honor Guard open house at 2 p.m. Thursday in Building 1015. The honor guard will perform various ceremonies as well as a 21-gun salute, posting of the colors and more.

Take advantage of this opportunity to see an organization that epitomizes the pride and professionalism associated with the military. Time and again, the honor guard selflessly represents the Air Force and Team Tyndall in the local community. Show up and lend your support. Thank them for a job well done. For more information, contact 283-4405.

Finally, people have about three more weeks to contribute to the Combined Federal Campaign. The wing goal is to raise \$162,000. Whether it's supporting the victims of the Sept. 11 attacks on America or supporting your favorite cause, every bit makes a difference in the lives of others.

## Today in History

- 1492** Christopher Columbus and his crew land in the Bahamas.
- 1702** Admiral Sir George Rooke defeats the French fleet off Vigo.
- 1722** Shah Sultan Husayn surrenders the Persian capital of Isfahan to Afghan rebels after a seven-month siege.
- 1809** Meriwether Lewis, of the Lewis and Clark expedition, dies under mysterious circumstances in St. Louis.
- 1933** Alcatraz Island is made a federal maximum-security prison.
- 1943** The U.S. Fifth Army begins an assault crossing of the Volturno River in Italy.
- 1949** Eugenie Anderson becomes the first woman U.S. ambassador.
- 1970** President Richard Nixon announces the pullout of 40,000 more American troops in Vietnam by Christmas.





Staff Sgt. Jeremy Lock

## Look out below

Humanitarian daily rations were placed in containers and put onboard a C-17 Globemaster at Ramstein Air Base, Germany and airdropped Sunday over eastern Afghanistan as part of Operation Enduring Freedom.

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Americans, and we're all in this together.”  
By these airmen’s accounts, the evening’s events went as they’d hoped — their training and experience pulled them safely through.

“It all came together because we train for this,” said “Woodstock”, a B-52 pilot. “This is what the American citizens expect us to be able to do, and in peacetime we prepare for these eventualities.” He said that all the moving parts, from their intelligence information to their ground crews, came together like a “finely oiled machine.”

Vinnie said he believes successful training also kept nerves from detracting from their missions. “Everybody (feels nervous), but the purpose overrides that, and the mission overrides that,” he said. “That’s what you’re taught every day.”

As tanker pilot “Chummer” said: “In peacetime, practice makes perfect.”

Just because they returned to base safely doesn’t mean the flights were risk-free. The planes did come under anti-aircraft fire over Afghanistan. “My crews didn’t encounter any threat that we weren’t prepared to deal with,” Woodstock said.

Vinnie said the mission wasn’t as difficult as the training scenarios they work through.

Doc agreed. “You never want to be unprepared,” he said. “That’s why you train to the most rigorous standards as possible.”

The airmen said the weather wasn’t a factor because it was a clear night and that the mission was devoid of the cockpit and cabin chit-chat and outbursts often portrayed in the movies.

“We keep the cockpit professional and quiet. That’s the way we do

**“It made me real proud to be an American, proud to be in the military and very proud to be part of this team.”**

**“STINKY”**  
U.S. Air Force tanker pilot

business,” Vinnie said. “We have a lot more things to worry about than making emotional comments.”

Something different about the evening stood out in each man’s mind. Woodstock noted that someone had recently painted “NYPD — We Remember” on the nose of one of the B- 52s used in the bombing run.

“Stinky,” a tanker pilot, remembered hearing part of President Bush’s address to the nation while out on his mission. “It kind of made chills go up my back,” he said. “(It) made me real proud to be an American, proud to be in the military and very proud to be part of this team.”



# Ponies on Parade

SENIOR AIRMAN RUSSELL CROWE

325th Fighter Wing public affairs

**W**heels on the car go round and round. As the United States began the military front of its war on terrorism Sunday, more than 350 Tyndall airmen and members of the local community came together in Bay View housing for the Second Annual Tyndall Car Show.

More than 90 cars registered for eight different classes of awards, ranging from Commander's Choice to Lady's Pick. In addition to the cars, there were military working dog demonstrations, a fire department demonstration, face painting, children's activities and more.

But by and large, the crowd came to see the automotive muscle. According to Gary Johnson, event coordinator, in addition to the cars, the camaraderie with the community is a special part of the event.

"It feels good to see this come to fruition," he said. "This is a great

way to interact with the community. Here, military people and our friends from the local area can get together as a group and spend a little time with something that's all American – cars."

As military bases continue working in heightened states of security, events like the car show offer military members a chance to get away, relax and enjoy the company of fellow car enthusiasts.

"Car enthusiasts are grassroots people," Mr. Johnson said. "They are down-to-earth people. They will stop to help someone and want nothing in return. It really goes back to a simpler time – they're just great folks."

While automobiles are one of the most American past times, they can also become very addictive, said Mr. Johnson.

"If my girlfriend and I are walking down the street and I do a quick turn-around to look at something, she knows it's not another woman: it's a car."



Participants showed their American pride by



Paul Green, Tyndall assistant fire chief, and daughter Shawntianna look at a 1974 Road Runner at the Second Annual Tyndall Car Show Sunday.



Visitors to the car show look at an engine on a

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It wasn't American  
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n Graffiti, but there was enough  
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o rival a Chöpin symphony



Photos by Russell Crowe

y displaying flags on and around their cars.



n display car.



Car enthusiasts decorate their cars in many different ways. This 1969 Mustang has a cobra on the engine.



# Retiree days offer extra services, discounts for those who served

The time for the annual retiree appreciation day has come around once again, and Tyndall Air Force Base is geared up and ready with many organizations offering their services to the group.

From giveaways to demonstrations, price breaks to flu shots, not a stone has been left unturned in the interests of retirees. Services has offered up reduced prices for many of the activities they sponsor around the base, such as half-price boat rentals from Bonita Bay to half-price greens fees and cart rental at Pelican Point golf course.

So take advantage of all that is offered this weekend, and know that as a military retiree, you are appreciated.

- Friday**
  - Room reservations available at Sand Dollar Inn. Call 283-4211 Ext. 3346/3348
  - Half-price green fees for daily payers or half-price cart fee for advance green fee payers at Pelican Point Golf Course
  - 2 for 1 lunch at Beacon Beach Marina Club
  - 25 percent off dinner for members, 5:30-8:30 p.m. at Enlisted and Officers' Clubs
  - Weber demo will smoke turkey and sausages at BX—25 percent off
  - Skinny Bob the Clown at the service station 9-11 a.m. Michelin emergency roadside and cleaning kits; hat giveaways while supplies last**Friday, Saturday**
  - Free coffee and donuts from 9-10:30 a.m. at BX
  - Half-price boat rentals at Bonita Bay (does not include fuel). Boater safety course required. Call 283-3199 for information or reservations
  - Free use of auto stalls, lifts and the wood shop at Skills Development Center
  - AAFES has many special sales and events at the BX. Sale items are subject to stock on-hand only. Most product demonstrations will run between 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Some events and sales include:
- Ping pong ball drawings at BX registers for additional discounts 9 a.m.- noon
  - Hourly drawings at BX from 10-11 a.m. and 1-7 p.m.
  - Bargain book sales and greeting card specials
  - Clowns and face painting
  - Ralph Lauren's fragrances/samples; Estee Lauder idealistic skin demonstration and drawing; Elizabeth Arden grab bags and demonstrations
  - Fashion Faire balloon pop promotion
  - Kenwood sale; Bose sound systems demonstration
  - Compaq computer representative available
  - Mustag Fishing Hooks factory representative available; manager's special on selected combos; enter to win a fishing rod and reel combo
  - Patriot pretzels and nuts tasting
  - Star Card promotion—open new account and get 10 percent off; no interest or payments for 6 months
  - Mattress of the month sale; major appliance sale with instant in-store rebates
  - Hoover vacuum manager's specials and drawing
  - Unilever Wisk special buy
  - Makita tool clearance
  - Win 25 lbs. of Aqua Chem Chlorine tablets; win a year's
- supply of light bulbs

  - Unannounced manager's specials; door prizes all day long
  - Felix Lake Shoppette giveaways and drawings; donuts and coffee from 9-11 a.m.
  - Anthony's Pizza and Woks Works drawing for rod and reel and \$25 gift certificate
  - Half-price admission Base Theater
  - Discount on dry cleaning; select 10 percent off at Flower Shop and ALLTEL
  - 5 percent off entire purchase Class Six (with a retiree ID card); drawing for a golf bag**Saturday**
  - Case lot sale at Commissary from 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m. and special drawings for retirees
  - Identification card service. Old ID card or driver license required. Building 662, 2nd floor, from 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Building 662 has a single entry point in the rear (Highway 98 Side) of the building
  - Wills and legal assistance from 9-11 a.m. Wills will be completed by appointment only, call 283-4681; other legal assistance will be on a walk-in basis, Building 662, 1st floor
  - Vehicle Pass and Registration will be open 9 a.m.-2 p.m. in Building 622, 2nd floor.

- Proof of insurance, registration, ID card and license required. Bring old decals to delete a vehicle
- Medical Group appointment number for retirees is 283-7769.
  - Continental breakfast, Dental Conference Room, Building 1465, 7 a.m.- until food runs out
  - Medical Group tests and laboratory open in Building 1465 from 7 a.m.- noon includes: glucose, cholesterol, prostate specific antigen. Some tests require fasting
  - Prostate exams, Flight Medicine Clinic, Building 1309, appointments 8 a.m.-noon
  - Eye screening, Optometry Clinic, Building 856, appointments 8 a.m.- noon
  - Pap smear/breast exams, Family Practice Clinic, Building 1465, appointments 7:30-9:30 a.m.
  - Oral cancer screening, Dental Clinic, Building 1465, walk-in basis 8 a.m.- noon
  - Pneumococcal vaccine, Immunization Clinic, Building 1465, walk-in basis 8 a.m.-noon
  - Hearing exams, Flight Medicine Clinic, Building 1309, walk-in basis 8 a.m.-noon
  - Triple touch self-breast exam class, Building 1465, walk-in basis starts 10 a.m.
  - Retiree Information Fair in the old AAFES optical/ALLTEL office area from 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Information about Delta Dental Plan, Services Marketing, Tyndall Federal Credit Union, TRICARE, Veterans Administration, Volunteer Program, Social Security, Health and Wellness Center,
- Nutritional Medicine, Mental Health and AAFES will be available
- Pharmacy booth in the patio area by the Satellite Pharmacy, 9 a.m.-2 p.m.
  - Breakfast (6-8 a.m.) and lunch (11 a.m.-1 p.m.) at Berg-Liles Dining Facility
  - 25 percent off lunch at the snack bar in Community Activities Center
  - Three free games of bowling at Raptor Lanes Bowling Center
  - Bissell vacuum demonstrations, 10 a.m.-1 p.m. at base exchange
- Book signing at BX—D.K. Strickland author of "Crossroads of Life"
  - Delta tools demonstrations at BX 10 a.m.-2 p.m.
  - King Kooker deep fryer demonstrations and sale at BX
- Monday**
- Appointments and 20 percent product discounts at Veterinary Clinic (283-2434)
  - Armed Forces Vacation Club Space "A" rental program, retirees stay a week in a resort for \$234 worldwide.
- For more details, visit [www.afvclub.com](http://www.afvclub.com) or call 283-2499.



# New F-22 detachment activates at Edwards

LEIGH ANNE BIERSTINE

Air Force Flight Test Center public affairs

**EDWARDS AIR FORCE BASE, Calif. (AFPN)** — The Air Force Operational Test and Evaluation Center activated a new detachment here Oct. 1. Detachment 6 will be responsible for planning, executing and reporting to the Defense Department on the F-22 Raptor operational test program scheduled to begin April 2003.

The need for locating the detachment here came from the Advanced Fighters Directorate at Headquarters AFOTEC, responsible for oversight of the F-22 program for the center, said Col. Ricardo Cazessus, Det. 6 commander.

“With the approaching start of the F-22 operational test program, it was time for the F-22 operational testing command presence to move to Edwards, where the balance of the work will be conducted,” Colonel Cazessus said.

Tyndall has been approved as the training wing for the F-22. The first Raptors will arrive in February 2003.



Staff Sgt. William Greer

## The Eagle’s about to soar

Members from the 48th Fighter Wing, Royal Air Force Lakenheath, check equipment aboard an F-15E Strike Eagle in preparation for takeoff in support of Operation Enduring Freedom.

The Gulf Guide

Your link to what's going on in the Tyndall community

This Week

**Monday**  
**'Moms, Pops & Tots'**  
The parent and child interaction play group, "Moms, Pops & Tots," for parents and their under-age-five children meets on Mondays. For more information and meeting locations, call 286-5812.

**Anger-management class**  
The three-session anger-management class will continue 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Monday and Oct. 22 in the life skills support center, Building 1305. For more information, call family advocacy, 283-7272.

**Tuesday**  
**Civil Air Patrol meeting**  
Civil Air Patrol meetings for boys and girls 12 years old and older will be held 6-8:30 p.m. every Tuesday in Building 852. The CAP offers local and national activities with a focus on educational and professional development. For more information, call Capt. Laura Palm, 283-7594, or Master Sgt. Perry Newberry, 283-4189.

**Wednesday**  
**Protestant youth group**  
The Tyndall Chapel's Protestant Youth Group meets 5-7 p.m. Wednesdays at Chapel 2. The meeting begins with dinner with the kids club and then moves on to its own activities. The youth group is for grades six-12, and the kids club is for kindergarten-grade five. Adult volunteers of all grades and ages are welcome. For more information, call the Chapel 2 office, 283-2925.

**NCOA meeting**  
A Noncommissioned Officers Association meeting will be 11:30 a.m. Wednesday in the Marsh Room at the community activities center. For more information, call

Tech. Sgt. Robert Barnett, 283-8734.

**Parenting-skills seminar**  
The three-session effective parenting-skills seminar will continue 3-4:30 p.m. Wednesday and Oct. 24 in the health and wellness center classroom. The class will focus on communicating with children and learning to help children improve their focus and concentration. For more information, call family advocacy, 283-7272.

**Thursday**  
**Boating safety course**  
The Coast Guard Auxiliary Flotilla 19 advanced coastal navigation class will be 6:15-9 p.m. Mondays and Thursdays beginning Thursday in Gulf Coast Community College's Gibson lecture hall. The course runs through Nov. 29 and is limited to 12 students. There is no charge for the instruction, but a \$40 material charge is necessary for books and charts. For more information, call 215-2025 or 769-1896.

**Antiterrorism training**  
Mandatory antiterrorism training is provided by the Air Force Office of Special Investigations on a walk-in basis 8 a.m. every Thursday in Building 656. Anyone with a permanent change of station or temporary duty assignment to an overseas location who has not received Level-I Antiterrorism training within six months of their departure date is required to receive this training. Outprocessing checklists should be brought to the training session. For more information, call Special Agent Doug Hartwell, 283-3261.

**Yard Sales**  
The following yard sales are scheduled for Saturday: 3119-B Dagger Drive and 3541-B Andrews Loop. All yard sales are held between 8 a.m.-4 p.m.

Notes

**Flight line barbershop hours**  
The flight line barbershop is open 7:30 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday to Friday and is closed 1-1:30 p.m. for lunch. Appointments are accepted. For more information, or to make an appointment, call 283-4917.

**Minnesota Air Guard openings**  
Immediate Minnesota Air National Guard positions are available with the 148th Fighter Wing, Duluth, Minn. For more information, call Master Sgt. Frank Bucar Jr., DSN 825-7440, or call toll free, (800) 831-7027. Interested individuals may also call the military personnel flight, 283-3198.

**The Miracle Worker**  
The Bay Center for the Arts Theatre Academy and Bay High School will present William Gibson's "The Miracle Worker" 7 p.m. today at the Marina Civic Center. For more information, call 763-4696.

**Thrift shop hours**  
The Tyndall Thrift Shop will now be open

for sales only 9 a.m.-noon the first Saturday of every month. Regular operating hours are 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays, with consignment hours of 9:30-11:30 a.m. Wednesdays and Thursdays only. It's now possible to consign 20 items each consignment day. Donations are accepted, and tax forms are available. For more information, call 286-5888.

**Guardians ad Litem training**  
The next training session for anyone interested in joining the Guardians ad Litem program will begin Monday. Guardians ad Litem represent abandoned, abused and/or neglected children in court. For more information, call 747-5180.

**Lost and found**  
The 325th Security Forces Investigation's Lost and Found has jewelry, watches, keys, wallets, pagers and automatic teller machine cards in their inventory. Anyone wishing to claim lost property can call security forces, 283-2497, between 7:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

Retiree News

**Beware of fake charities**  
A tragedy is a tried and true way for unscrupulous opportunists to solicit money for fake charities. Scam artists may fly into high gear with phone calls and mailings designed to collect money from sympathetic individuals. Their approaches can be creative and persuasive. An emotional testimonial about earthquake or hurricane victims could move many to offer cash donations. According to the Council on Aging, fake relief workers are likely to target older Americans hoping to capitalize on the compassion of those who grew up in the Depression.

It is important for consumers to carefully screen charity solicitations. Scam artists undermine the many legitimate relief organizations that struggle to fund their operations. The federal government recognizes more than 500,000 charities seeking contributions. These groups raise \$143 billion a year. Fake charities have plenty of room to hide. Raise a red flag when a charity request is unsolicited or comes from an unfamiliar organization. If you're still interested, investigate further. The Federal

Trade Commission offers tips for learning whether a telephone solicitor is legitimate.

Ask for identifying information in writing. A legitimate charity will provide its name, address, telephone number and details about how it will use contributions. Ask for details. Many states require paid fund-raisers to identify themselves as such and to name the charity for which they are working. If the telephone solicitor refuses to provide this information, hang up and call local authorities. Watch for similar-sounding names. Fake charities may use names that sound similar to well-known, legitimate charities. Call a familiar charity. An unscrupulous solicitor may claim he is raising money on behalf of a legitimate charity. Verify this before giving away money. Watch for tax terms. An organization may use meaningless tax lingo to give the appearance of being a charity.

Report any suspicious solicitations to local authorities or by mail to the Federal Trade Commission, Consumer Response Center, 600 Pennsylvania Ave. NW, Washington, D.C. 20580.

Base Theater



**Today:** "Captain Correlli's Mandolin" (R, some violence, sexuality and language, 129 min.)  
**Saturday:** "Captain Correlli's Mandolin"  
**Sunday:** "Captain Correlli's Mandolin"  
**Wednesday:** 1 p.m. - "Shrek" (PG, 89 min.) \$1 tickets.  
**Thursday:** "Rat Race" (PG-13, sexual references, crude humor, partial nudity and language, 112 min.)  
All movies start at 7 p.m.



# Passing not enough; COMM edges out SEADS

COMPILED BY THE 325TH FIGHTER WING  
PUBLIC AFFAIRS OFFICE

In spite of some play-of-the-week passing, the Southeast Air Defense Sector could not get it done against the physical defense of the 325th Communications Squadron in Tuesday's intramural flag football.

Both teams came out of the gate hard, scoring early for a tied game, 7-7, just five minutes into the first half. The score remained tied until the CS struck again. Led by captain Jeremy Bryant, the yellow jerseys marched down the field using high-percentage, short passes to drive eighty yards for the six points. The extra point was good making the score 14-7.

SEADS, however, had no intention of 'going quietly.' An explosive Mike Reilly to Jay Howard connection for 45 yards put six more points on the board. The point after tied the game and the score was 14-14 with a lot of time left on the clock.

Neither team could put together an effective drive following the SEADS score, leaving the score tied when the gun went off, ending the half. Though they kept the score tied, the first half was cruel to the CS team as two injuries occurred. One team member was carried off in an ambulance. No word on that player's condition was available at press time.

The second half opened with a classic defensive duel.



Staff Sgt. Roel Utley

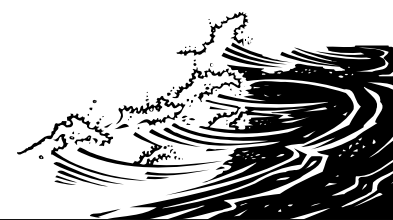
Keith Mayes, SEADS, carries the ball as Chuck McPhail, COMM, tries to make the tackle.

SEADS opened with a promising drive, but failed to put the ball in the end zone. The scoreboard stayed locked at 14-14 until the CS flexed some muscle. Wide receiver Bryan Motyka made a highlight-reel grab in the end zone, barely staying inside the lines to put the yellow team up 21-14 with the point after.

As the clock ran down, that's where the scoreboard stayed — SEADS falling to 325th CS. "I don't think we played as well as we should have," said Bryant, "but we were still able to squeak out the win." When the game clock reads zeroes, the win is all that matters.



# Funshine NEWS



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Tyndall Youth Center • Fifth Annual

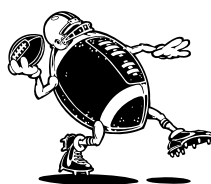
## Fall Festival

Games, food & lots of fun for the entire family!  
October 26 • 6-8 p.m.

Register to win **Jacksonville Jaguars** tickets,  
autographed footballs and helmets

No federal endorsement  
of sponsors intended.

**Sponsored in part by:** Blockbuster, First Command Financial Planning, Haribo, Jacksonville Jaguars, Klutz,  
Oriental Trading Company, Mrs. Grossman's Paper Co. and Millmark Sales



## Hey Football Fans, here's... 3 Ways to Win with Services



### ■ Football Quest at the Pizza Pub

- Win a trip to the AF vs Army football game Nov. 3 • Deadline Oct. 14

\*Sponsored in part by 3M Corp., Hilton Garden Inn Hotel in Colorado Springs,  
USAA and Dollar Rent A Car

### ■ Pigskin Picks at the CAC

- Play for your chance to win Jacksonville Jaguars tickets  
and autographed merchandise.

\*Sponsored in part by: Jacksonville Jaguars and Panasonic

### ■ Football Frenzy in the Pizza Pub

- AF Club Members could win a trip to an NFL game, the Super Bowl,  
the Pro Bowl, or a trip for four to Disney World or Disneyland.

\*Sponsored in part by: Miller Brewing Co., American Airlines, Destination Arlington & Double Tree Alana Waikiki  
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**Pizza Pub • 283-3222**

**CAC • 283-2495**

### Marina Club

☎ 283-3059

#### Every Friday

Come check out our fish specials at  
lunch.

**Sunday Breakfast 8-10 a.m.**

### Skills Development Ctr.

☎ 283-4511

#### Ceramic Class

Oct. 13, 10 a.m.

Open to first 6 people to sign-up. \$15  
covers instruction, slip for pouring,  
tools for molding, and firing.

#### Quilting Class

Oct. 18, 25, and Nov. 1, 8.

(Four week class) 6-8 p.m.

Basic course for beginners using rotary  
cutting methods. Call for class fee and  
supply list.

### Information, Tickets & Travel

☎ 283-2499

#### Foley, Alabama Shopping Trip

Oct. 27, enjoy shopping at over 125 of  
your favorite outlet stores. Cost per  
person is \$15 and is due upon sign-up  
NLT Oct 23.

### Community Activity Ctr.

☎ 283-2495

#### Pigskin Picks

Eric Appletoft leads with 38 pts., Ken  
Tschudi follows with 37 pts., and Mike  
Edrres and David Roberg are tied for  
third with 36 pts. each.

### Veterinary Clinic

☎ 283-2434

#### Retiree Appreciation

Oct. 15. Retirees, make your pet's  
appointments for this day and save 20%.

### Youth Center

☎ 283-4366

#### Tennis 1-2-3 for ages 6 and up

Learn the basics in a group  
environment. Starts Oct. 13. Cost is  
\$30 for members and \$35 for non-  
members, includes T-shirt.

#### Start Smart Soccer

Oct. 27 at 8 a.m. For ages 3-5 years  
old. Parents teach basic soccer skills  
one-on-one with your child. Cost is \$25.

#### "Kids on Target" Archery

Open to ages 10-16 years old on Oct.  
26, Nov. 2, 9, and 16 at 3:30 p.m.  
Cost is \$25 for members and \$30 for  
non-members.

#### Punt, Pass and Kick

The NFL Gatorade Punt, Pass and Kick  
competition is at 4 p.m., Oct. 17. Open  
to youth ages 8-15 years old. For  
details call Bruce.

#### Basketball Registration

Oct. 16 to 31. Open to boys and girls  
ages 5-14 years old. Must have birth  
certificate at time of registration.  
Coaches needed for all age groups.  
Call Bruce for times, cost, and details.

**Designate Combined Federal  
Campaign #3014 - Tyndall  
Youth Programs.**

### Honor Guard

☎ 283-4405

#### Open House

October 18, 2 p.m. Everyone  
Welcome. Come meet your Honor  
Guard Team. Please park in rear of  
building near softball field.

#### Buglers Needed

Call TSgt Harp 283-4405.

### Bowling Center

☎ 283-2380

#### Snack Bar Specials

■ Stacked Sandwich: Choice of ham,  
roast beef or turkey, with french fries  
and medium drink \$3.10

■ Oktoberfest Special: Knockwurst or  
bratwurst on roll with potato salad,  
kraut, baked beans and med. fountain  
drink \$3.25

### Graphic Impressions

☎ 283-2228

#### Business Cards

Your photos or color logos can be  
included on our Full Color cards for just  
\$20 per 200.

#### Color Copies Special

Every Friday 8 1/2" x 11" color copies  
are just 65¢ each.

## Air Force Clubs

E' Club: 283-4357 • O' Club: 283-4146

### Lunch at O' Club

Lunch will no longer be served at the Enlisted  
Club. Please join us at the Officers' Club for  
lunch between 11 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.

### Deluxe Brunch Buffet

All Ranks at the Officers' Club  
Sunday, Oct. 21, 9 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.  
Members \$6.95 Non-Members \$8.95  
Kids 6-12 \$3.75, under 6 eat free

**Upgrade and include the Sandwich Bar**  
Members \$3.25, Non-Members \$5.25

### Cashier's Cage

All ranks cashier's cage for account  
information, membership sign ups and  
transfers, and bill payment at the O' Club,  
Mon.-Fri. 9-3. Check cashing available at the  
Enlisted Club during evening dining.

### The 2001 Ultimate Membership Drive



**10 Air Force winners get  
their choice of a Ford  
Ranger, Chevy Cavalier,  
Dodge Neon or \$8,500!**

Signup by November 18 to be  
eligible for the drawing. Current  
members are already entered to  
win! Bring in a new member and  
receive a coupon for \$10  
towards dinner.

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# An opinion, avenue and pee-wee football

2ND LT. RYAN FITZGERALD  
325th Fighter Wing public affairs

Every paper needs a sports columnist. You all are unfortunate enough to get me for your local paper. My policies are simple: I will try to cover as many sports as I can in future weeks, but you figure skating fans are pretty well out of luck. Is it really a sport if the uniform includes a tutu? I will always welcome your feedback as long as it is positive. If it's not positive, remember what your mother said: "If you can't say anything nice, don't say anything at all." Of course, I didn't listen to my mom much, and there's a chance that phenomenon may rub off on your feedback as well. But take your chances, angry letters are the most fun to respond to. That said, welcome to my column, I hope you read it next week. If you don't, could you tell my boss that you do?

Now that fall is upon us, it's time to rake the leaves, pack away the beach towel, bust

out the inflatable chair and watch football. Time to lie in front of the television all day; drive your wife crazy with your play by play, your analysis of the game analysts, and your insistence that the Fox Double-header is the greatest dramatic television ever created. Perhaps, like me, you'll yell at the screen and over the surround sound at the Packers as the best active quarterback in the game throws yet another interception into the arms of the Tampa Bay "Yuckaneers."

With all the football frenzy, it shouldn't surprise me that the base intramural flag football games take on such monumental importance, even if it's only to the players on the field at game time. I am really surprised and disappointed however, at the lack of professionalism and sportsmanship by some players.

At a recent game, I watched the officials get screamed at repeatedly from both sides of the ball. It got so bad I was embarrassed

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## In Brief

### VolksSport Club 5/10K walk

The Panama City VolksSport Club's 5/10K walk will be Saturday at Pine Log State Forest off Highway 79, north of Panama City Beach. The walk can be started any time between 8 a.m. and noon but must be completed by 3 p.m. 5K walks are the equivalent of walking 3.1 miles and are held on park trails. This event is in conjunction with Florida's Greenways and Trails Month, encouraging all those in Florida to hike a trail during the month. For more information, call D.J. Moore, 871-2624, or Caroline Bagley, 234-5792.

### Torch run

Florida State University, Panama City campus, is looking for torchbearers for its annual torch run to Doak Campbell stadium. Runners will carry the torch for a portion of the 100-mile trek to the stadium. The run is part of Florida State's homecoming week activities. The torch run begins at 8 p.m. Nov. 9 at the Panama City Campus. The torch will arrive at the stadium in time for the Florida State/Miami football game Nov. 10. For information call 522-2040.

### Lunch and learn

A lunch and learn session in observance of Breast Cancer Awareness Month is 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Wednesday at the health and wellness center. Enjoy recipes featuring soy during a healthy cooking demonstration followed by an informational session on breast health. A clinical breast exam and an opportunity to schedule a mammogram appointment

will also be available after the cooking demonstration. Call or stop by the HAWC, 283-3826, Building 1307, to register for this event.

### Fitness center hours

Remember to take time and work out, especially during heightened times of stress and longer work hours. The Tyndall Fitness Center is open 5 a.m. to 1 a.m. Mondays - Fridays and 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays. Holiday hours are the same as weekend hours.

### Roller hockey

Adult roller hockey pick-up games are 5:30 p.m. every Sunday at the base tennis courts near Burger King. All skill levels are welcome. For more information, call Senior Airman James Bandy, 283-4327 or 874-9476.

### Stress management

The three-session stress management class will continue noon-2 p.m. Wednesday and Oct. 24 in the health and wellness center, Room 104. For more information, call family advocacy, 283-7272.

### Holiday-stress forum

Family advocacy's Friday forum, Coping with Holiday Stress – Part 1, is 11 a.m.-1 p.m. today in the health and wellness center's Room 104. Active-duty members, Department of Defense civilians, dependents and contract personnel are welcome to bring a lunch and attend. For more information, call family advocacy, 283-7272.

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for the offenders; which was moot, given that these knuckle-heads probably had no sense of how embarrassed they should have been. Trash talking between teams can be a necessary part of the game, but when the officials have players' fingers in their faces, the trash has to stop. Do I need to mention that this is *flag football*? On the sports Richter scale, this isn't even a minor vibration. I have watched pee-wee games of more importance. Are the bragging rights so important that players are

willing to sacrifice their professionalism for them? The moral of this story; guys, it's just a game. I love the game and love the competition. But keep it in perspective. When you take the field, you still represent the values of the Air Force. Screaming at the top of your lungs at an official who is taking time out of his schedule to referee your game doesn't exactly exemplify what we've all been taught.

Catch this column next week. The topic-Ballet: if it's good enough for Walter Payton, it's good enough for me.

The Standings - Football					
TEAM-RECORD-GAMES BACK					
MXS	5-0		TEST	2-3	3
COMM	4-1	1	MDG	1-2	3
CES	3-1	1.5	SVS	2-4	3.5
TRS	5-2	1	2 FS	1-3	3.5
WEG	4-2	1.5	MSS	1-3	3.5
83 FWS	3-2	2	ARMY	1-3	3.5
OSS	2-2	2.5	95FS	1-4	4.0
SEADS	3-4	3	CONS	0-4	4.5